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Subject: OPFS Payment Logic, #314

For OPFS payment logic for services after June 30, 2005, a rumor has surfaced that suggests: (1) some plans will be denying and (2) AHCCCS will be pending outpatient institutional claims/encounters that span more than one date of service.

AHCCCS OPFS payment logic will process ER or observation visit outpatient institutional claims/encounters that spans two dates of service as one visit or episode of care. If plans are following the AHCCCS OPFS payment logic, clean outpatient institutional claims that span more than one date of service would be paid according to OPFS payment logic. Claim denials due only for a date span of more than one date of service are invalid.

For additional information, please refer to OPFS payment logic in AHCCCS' IS system proposals or contact the Outpatient Workgroup. Thank you.